

Accompanying the twentieth recommendation of the Executive Office of Consumer Affairs and Business Regulation (House, No. 31). Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Said Chapter 112 is hereby further amended by adding, after
2 Section 131, the following section:

3 Section 131A. Persons who meet the educational and
4 experience requirements for licensure as a licensed social worker,
5 as set forth in section one hundred thirty-one, and whose
6 application to take the examination for such a license has been
7 approved by the board may, upon payment of the appropriate
8 fee, be issued a temporary permit to practice as a social worker,
9 under the supervision of a social worker duly licensed at a level
10 deemed appropriate by the board, in accordance with the
11 provisions of sections one hundred thirty to one hundred thirty-
12 seven, inclusive, and such regulations as the board may prescribe.

13 Persons who meet the educational and experience requirements
14 for licensure as a licensed certified social worker, as set forth in
15 section one hundred thirty-one, and whose application to take the
16 examination for licensure as a licensed certified social worker has
17 been approved by the board, may, upon payment of the
18 appropriate fee, be issued a temporary permit to practice as a
19 licensed certified social worker, under the supervision of another
20 social worker already duly licensed at a level deemed appropriate
21 by the board, in accordance with the provisions of sections one
22 hundred thirty to one hundred thirty-seven, inclusive, and such
23 regulations as the board may prescribe.

24 Any person to whom a temporary permit to practice is issued
25 pursuant to this section shall take the first available examination

26 for the level of licensure sought. In the event that the holder of
27 such a permit passes said examination, said permit shall expire
28 ninety days after the holder is notified of the examination results.
29 In the event that the holder of said permit fails said examination,
30 the permit shall expire immediately upon notification of the
31 examination results, but may be renewed upon the filing of an
32 application to take the next available examination for that level
33 of licensure and payment of the appropriate fee. In the event that
34 the holder of said permit fails the examination a second time, said
35 permit may, with the approval of the board, be renewed one
36 additional time.